

Arizona Military Family Relief Fund Advisory Committee Meeting

Arizona Department of Veterans' Service
4141 N. Herrera Way, Phoenix, Arizona 85012
July 19th, 2016 – 2:00 p.m.

Committee Members Present

Randy Meyer (Chairman)
Stanley Zeitz (Vice Chairman)
Larry Struck
Raphael Ahmed
Martin Badegian
Teresa Kolodny
Carol Culbertson
Kathy Pearce

Committee Members Absent

Robert Barnes, ADVS Deputy Director/Designee
Paul Clark
John Aldecoa
Anthony Irby
Thomas Troxell

MFRF Committee Staff

Michelle Sullivan, ADVS/MFRF

Assistant Arizona Attorney General – Benjamin Norris

CALL TO ORDER and APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Vice Chairman Stanley Zeitz called the meeting to order at 2:25 p.m. Carol Culbertson moved to approve the draft minutes of the public meeting held on June 21, 2016. Raphael seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Vice Chairman Stanley Zeitz read the Advisory Committee's Disclosure Policy. Advisory Committee members must disclose their knowledge of an applicant to the Advisory Committee during the consideration process. Knowledge of an applicant that benefits all members of the Advisory Committee during the consideration process does not create a conflict of interest. If an Advisory Committee member has knowledge of an applicant and has a vested interest in the outcome of the Committee's findings or seeks to benefit or gain from a vote on a particular application, he/she is required to recuse his or herself from consideration of that applicant as it creates a conflict of interest.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Vice Chairman Stanley Zeitz moved the meeting to executive session at 2:26 p.m. to discuss MFRF applications that are, according to ARS 41-608.04.E., confidential. Executive Session is allowable under ARS 41-608.04.E.

APPLICATION RECOMMENDATIONS

Vice Chairman Stanley Zeitz returned the meeting to public session at 3:36 p.m. to vote on applications.

1. **2016-06 I TIP** Kathy Pearce moved to recommend application be submitted and approved for participation in the Transition in Place Program up to \$10,000 that provides up to six month housing assistance and supportive services. Raphael Ahmed seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.
2. **2015-08 A** Kathy Pearce moved to recommend application be denied as requested for three months' rent and utilities. The committee states application and financial statement is inconclusive. The committee recommends filing for additional benefits through VA, SSI, and special needs programs Raphael Ahmed seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.
3. **2015-04 E TIP** Kathy Pearce moved to recommend application be tabled, the application is incomplete and does not include supporting documents reflecting requested assistance. Carol Culbertson seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.
4. **2016-06 F** Kathy Pearce moved to recommend application be approved for two months of rental assistance only. The Committee states the applicant recently received emergency assistance less than a month ago covering move in cost and this month's rent. Larry Struck seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.
5. **2014-12 A** Kathy Pearce moved to recommend application be approved for requested assistance of auto repair, Teresa Kolodny seconded the motion. Two approve and five Nays, the Nays have it. Second motion to deny request for auto repair by Carol Culbertson, the motion was seconded by Larry Struck and the motion carried by majority vote. The decision to deny applicant request for auto repair was approved due to no financial need, applicant has sufficient funds to support repair.
6. **2016-07 G** Carol Culbertson moved to recommend application be approved for participation in the Transition in Place Program up to \$10,000 that provides up to six month housing assistance and supportive services. Larry Struck seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.
7. **2016-06 M** Kathy Pearce moved to recommend application be submitted and approved for participation in the Transition in Place Program up to \$10,000 that provides up to six month housing assistance and supportive services. Carol Culbertson seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.
8. **2016-07 I** Kathy Pearce moved to recommend application be approve be denied as requested for two months auto, utility, and phone. The committee states application and financial statement is unclear and inaccurate. Larry Struck seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.
9. **2016-07 D** Kathy Pearce moved to recommend application be tabled, the application is incomplete and does not include supporting documents reflecting requested assistance and rental agreement. Carol Culbertson seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.
10. **2016-07 E** Kathy Pearce moved to recommend application be tabled, the application is incomplete and does not include supporting documents reflecting requested assistance and current rental agreement. Raphael Ahmed seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.
11. **2014-06 G** Raphael Ahmed moved to recommend application be approved for back rent of \$1,043.00 and one additional month only. Larry Struck seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

MARKETING REPORTS

CALL TO PUBLIC

ADJOURNMENT and NEXT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Carol Culbertson moved to adjourn the Advisory Committee meeting. Larry Struck seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously meeting adjourned at 3:56 pm.

The next Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 16th, 2016 at 2:00 p.m. at the Arizona State Veterans' Home.